

Borough talent on show as the year's awards are presented

THE top sporting talent in the borough was on show on Friday for the Elmbridge sports personality of the year awards.

Mayor of Elmbridge Cllr Rosemary Dane and Graham Rhodes from sponsors Air Products presented the prizes to dozens of winners at the ceremony at Rydens School, Walton.

The award for senior sports personality was won for the second year running by canoeist Anna Hemmings.

The Elmbridge Canoe Club athlete was recognised for her achievement in winning the women's world marathon canoe title for the third year in a row.

Hemmings' clubmate Tim Brabants finished second in the senior personality category, with Formula Three race driver Sam Bird third.

The youngest individual category, the junior sports personality up to 12 years old, was won by golfer Liam Cox, who was recognised for winning the



Sports personality of the year winner Anna Hemmings with Mayor of Elmbridge Cllr Rosemary Dane and Olympic athlete Mark Richardson.

Surrey championship in his age group.

Modern penathlete Hugo

Fleming, who won the youngest category last year, took the top prize for junior

sports personality 12-18 years.

In a hugely successful year, the 12-year-old Feltonfleet pupil won both the under-13 world biathlon and British triathlon titles.

Esher Rugby Club won the award for senior sports team, following their historic achievement in winning a place in National League One, with Kingston Trampoline Academy taking the runners-up spot.

For the second successive year, Walton Rowing Club was the winner of the prize for junior sports team 12-18 years, while the younger sports team category, for children aged up to 12, was won by East Molesey Cricket Club's under-11 team.

Lionel Frewin's dedication to Cobham Sports Association's £1.1 million clubhouse scheme was acknowledged with the Air Products and Alan Carver special services to sports award.

The Mayor's award went to teacher Heather Garside, who



All the winners at Friday evening's awards event at Rydens School.

steered teams from Danes Hill School to three national victories in different sports.

Oxshott Village Sports Club was the winner of the sports council panel award.

The Steels Lane club, which boasts 10 sporting sections,

impressed the judging panel after being given the silver award by standards body Active Surrey.

Hersham's Liam Duhig, who won a medal at the Special Olympics in China in September, was given the disabled sports award.

The school's pupils up to 12 years old won by St Charles Catholic Primary their achievement of sporting endeavours senior school's award to 18-year-olds, with School's ski team.